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SUBJECT: PL 480 TITLE I - INDIAN VEGOIL EXPORTS

1. ACCORDING S.V.S. JUNEJA, MOF, USDA MADE INQUIRY WITH BAI-JAL AT INDIAN EMBASSY REGARDING REPORTED EXPORT OF 14,500 MT PEANUT OIL FROM INDIA.
2. JUNEJA SAID THAT ON INVESTIGATING HE FOUND REPORT TO BE TRUE AND REALIZING THIS WOULD BE IN VIOLATION PL 480 AGREEMENT, WAS INFORMING EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY (SATURDAY AFTERNOON). SALE WAS MADE TO US FIRM CALLED PASTERNAK BAUM BY STC. OIL BEING LOADED BOMBAY AUGUST 7 WITH DESTINATION PARIS AND VEN-EZUELA.
3. SLIGHTLY MORE THAN HALF OF THE PEANUT OIL IN THIS TRANSACTION WAS APPARENTLY PURCHASED BY STC COMMERCIALY FROM US IN JUNE 1977. ONE REASON JUNEJA SAID OIL WAS BEING EXPORTED WAS THAT IT WAS BECOMING RANCID, BUT MAINLY, HE ADMITTED, IT WAS THE DROP IN DOMESTIC PRICE OF REFINED PEANUT OIL. STC STOOD TO LOSE SOME TWO CRORE RUPEES AND, HAD THIS HAPPENED, WOULD HAVE LED TO AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT INQUIRY. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THIS WAS A RE-EXPORT OF A COMMERCIAL PURCHASE MADE LAST YEAR.

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4. TOTAL AMOUNT TITLE I VEGOIL DESTINED FOR INDIA FY 1978HKY 42,000MT. OF THIS, 19,500MT NOW BEING DISCHARGED IN INDIA, AND REMAINING 22,500MT DUE TO REACH PORT AUGUST 17.
5. ECONOMIC TIMES AUGUST 4 CONTAINS ARTICLE CLAIMING INDIA TO EXPORT 25,000MT INDIGENOUS PEANUT OIL AND 17,500MT RANCID

IMPORTED OIL (SEE TOFAS 176). ACCORDING TO JUNEJA, LATTER
FIGURE SHOULD READ 14,500MT WHICH HE DISCUSSED WITH US. FOR-
MER FIGURE IS "FIGMENT OF SOMEONE'S IMAGINATION."
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